(5) Bubaneshwar-Cuttak Bypass

(6) Aditypur Bridge

(7) Gujarat Roads

(8) Moradabad Bypass

Under the above mentioned project the World Bank has also approved an IDA Credit of $5 million to the Government of India as Technical Assistance for the Ministries/States and their agencies in selecting Investment Enterprises and Structuring Investment Projects that are proposed to be financed under the proposed IL&FS project.

Fixing of fee to be charged by the Medical Colleges

1013. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Medical Council has fixed the fee to be charged by the medical colleges in the country for 1996-97;

(b) if not, the reasons for not fixing the fee;

(c) by when the Indian Medical Council will fix the fee structure for medical colleges; and

(d) whether Government are aware that the Hon'ble Supreme Court has fixed the fee structure for medical colleges and will be applicable till Government and the Indian Medical Council fix a permanent fee structure for Medical Colleges?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI): (a) to (d) The Central Government in consultation with the Medical Council of India approved as fee structure of Rs. 1,15,000/- per annum for payment seats. The Supreme Court of India, however, fixed fee structure for year to year including 1995-96. The fee structure for 1996-97 is yet to be fixed by the Supreme Court of India.

Government of India has filed an application to the Supreme Court of India requesting them to permit fee structure of Rs. 1,15,000/- p.a. for payment seats.

The matter is subjudice before the Supreme Court of India.

Lack of research facilities in Medical Colleges

1014. SHRI O.P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a study conducted by a team of medical scientists from the AIIMS has expressed the view that out of total 150 medical colleges, only 30 meet the required standards and that most of the medical colleges are lacking in research facilities;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to bring about improvement in this vital field?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI): (a) Such a study conducted by the All India Institute of Medical Sciences has come to notice of the Government.

(b) The methodology adopted and conclusions arrived are yet to be evaluated by the Medical Council of India.

(c) Medical Council of India conducts periodicals inspection of medical coleges to assess the standards of medical education imparted. Under the Indian Medical Council Act., 1996, as amended. Prior permission of Central Government is required for opening a new college, increase of seats and opening higher courses of study.

Action against guilty persons in Securities scam

1015. SHRI SATISH AGARWAL:
SHRI BANGARU LAXMAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether appropriate action as indicated in the revised Action Taken

Report regarding securities scam has been initiated;

(b) the details about persons proceeded against after the presentation of the report departmentally and judicially;

(c) whether any criminal prosecution has been launched against any foreign bank regarding the Securities Scam; if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether brokers found guilty in the Joint Parliamentary Committee Report have been debarred from further trading in stock exchanges, if not, the reasons therefore; and

(e) whether Government officials found guilty have been debarred from seeking re-employment for a period of five years, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND THE MINISTER OF COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (e) As indicated in the revised Action Taken Report on the JPC Report, necessary departmental proceedings and prosecution for criminal offence have been initiated against officials of banks and financial institutions involved in irregularities in securities transactions. As per the information readily available, punishment has been imposed after conclusion of departmental proceedings in respect of 78 officials of various banks and institutions including private sector banks and foreign banks. According to the information furnished by CBI, investigation has been completed in 48 bank scam cases referred to in the ATR and chargesheet has been filed by CBI in court in 26 cases. CBI have also reported that prosecution has been launched against 5 officials of Standard Chartered Bank, one official of Bank of America and 6 officials of ANZ Grindlays Bank.

RBI have issued instructions to all banks on 16.11.1994 advising that brokers should not be engaged for inter-bank security transactions or for transactions with non bank clients except in the case of transactions routed through National Stock-Exchange.

In accordance with the existing terms and conditions of appointment of whole-time directors by Government in public sector banks and financial institutions, they are required to seek prior permission of the Government within two years of their retirement before accepting any commerical employment (including directorship). Government have not granted any permission to any ex-whole-time director of public sector banks and financial institutions who were involved in irregularities in securities transactions.

काले धन में वृद्धि

1016. श्री राम जेठमलानी: क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 23 मई, 1996 के समाचार-पत्र दि टाइम्स आफ इंडिया में "वट कीप्स बेड मनी मूविंग" शीर्षक के अंतर्गत प्रकाशित समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह सच है कि देश में काले धन में प्रति वर्ष वृद्धि होने की संभावना है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो देश में काले धन में वृद्धि होने के संबंध में सरकार का मूल्यांकन क्या है;

(घ) वर्ष 1995-96 तक कुल कितना काला धन होने का अनुमान है;

(ङ) क्या यह सच है कि कराधान प्रणाली में व्यापक सुधार की घोषणा होने के बावजूद भी देश में काले धन में वृद्धि हो रही है; और

(च) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार द्वारा काले धन के कानूनी उपयोग के संबंध में किसी नयी नीति की घोषणा की जायेगी?

वित्त मंत्री तथा कम्पनी कार्य मंत्री (श्री पी० चिदम्बरम): (क) से (घ) जी, हां। राष्ट्रीय लोकवित्त एवं नीति संस्थान द्वारा किए गए अध्ययन के अनुसार वर्ष 1983-84 में काला धन 31,584 करोड़ रु० से 36.786 करोड़ रु० के बीच होने का अनुमान लगाया गया था। इसके बाद, किसी प्रामाणिक अध्ययन के अभाव में इस समय देश में काले धन की मात्रा क्या है अथवा इसकी वृद्धि-दर क्या है यह अनुमान लगाना संभव नहीं है।